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Meningitis strikes USC

Drew Brooks
STAFF WRITER

A USC student was hospitalized Saturday morning with a case of bacterial meningitis.

Mary K. Cannady, a third-year advertising student and an active member of the Alpha Chi Omega sorority, is in serious but stable condition, according to university officials.

The Thomson Student Health Center recommends that any student who has had close contact with Cannady visit for a screening.

University and DHEC officials met with members of Alpha Chi Omega Monday to answer questions and inform students about treatment and vaccines available.

DHEC Region three medical director Gil Potter said it was impossible to determine exactly what caused Cannady to contract the disease.

“She could have gotten it from going by someone in a cashier line who had it and sneezed,” Potter said.

Deborah Beck, director of student health services, said the university was treating the situation very seriously.

Meningitis “usually is an immediate cause for alarm,” Beck said. But, she said, “This is well under control.”

With the help of her father, officials are currently tracing Cannady’s week back to last Thursday in order to identify possible exposure.

Vaccination for meningitis is required for incoming freshmen in residence halls. Side effects are mild and infrequent. According to SHS, vaccines could prevent

70 to 80 percent of all cases each year.

Cannady lives in an off-campus apartment.

Potter said studies showed the vaccine worked for students living in residence halls, however.

“It has been proven to be effective for freshmen entering college and living in a dormitory,” Potter said.

Meningitis is “extremely serious and potentially fatal,” Beck said.

Students can contract the disease through direct contact from nose or throat discharges, such as coughing or kissing. Simply breathing the air where a person with meningitis has been is not dangerous.

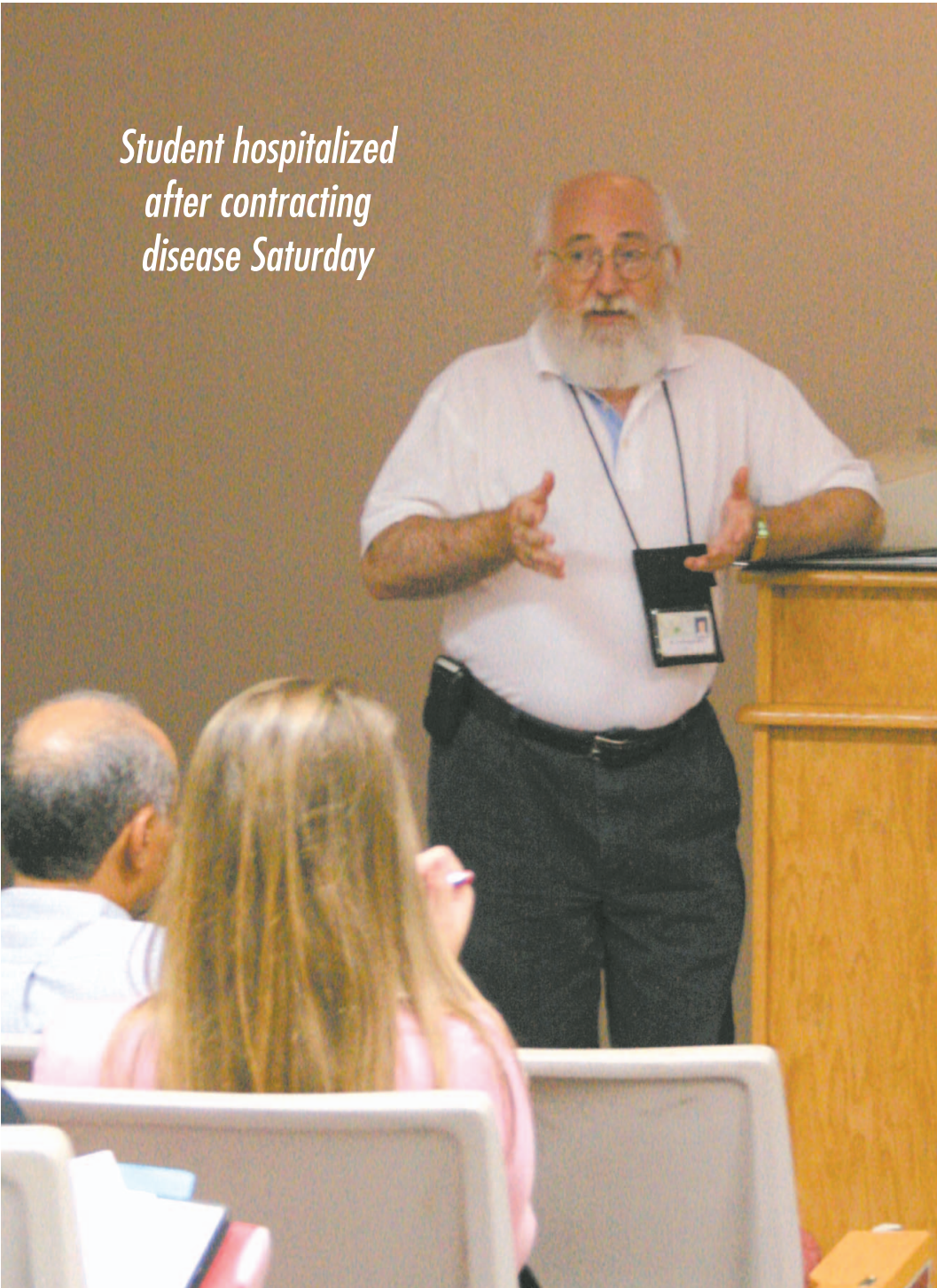
Potter said most college students have already been exposed to the meningitis bug, but it rarely becomes dangerous.

“By the time you are 18 or 19 years of age, probably about 80 to 85 percent of you have been exposed to the bug,” Potter said. “In the general population walking around, about 5 percent of people have it in their throats, not bothering anybody else or causing harm to themselves, but it can be spread.”

According to the Centers for Disease Control, symptoms include high fever, headache and a stiff neck. These can develop over several hours or take one to two days to manifest.

Other symptoms include nausea, vomiting, sensitivity to light, confusion and fatigue. In advanced cases, bruises can develop and

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Kelly Bobrow / THE DAILY GAMECOCK

DHEC medical director Gil Potter advises students to receive immunization Monday. Officials addressed the Alpha Chi Omega, of which the infected student is a member.

See your doctor if...

Symptoms that could signal infection include:
High fever
Headache
Stiff neck

May also suffer from:
nausea
vomiting
sensitivity to light
confusion
sleepiness

High Risk (Preventative Medication Recommended):
Direct exposure to discharges through kissing, coughing or sharing toothbrushes or utensils. Living with the individual. Having frequently slept and ate in the same dwelling

Low Risk (Preventative Medication Not Recommended):
Casual contact
Indirect contact

Source: The Thomson Student Health Center

GREEKS START UP NEW MAG

The Chapter aims to expose philanthropy, eliminate stereotypes

Gina Vasselli
STAFF WRITER

The Chapter, a new Greek life magazine, hopes to have its first issue out by the beginning of November.

This picture-based magazine’s objective is to give students an inside look at Greek life on campus.

“We wanted to do something different to put us in a positive light,” said Stormy Gaskins, a second-year mathematics student and one of the core members of the new magazine.

The Chapter aims to dispel the stereotypes about



Gina Vasselli / THE DAILY GAMECOCK

New publication staff plans first edition for November.

the Greek community by revealing all the facets of Greek life.

Ricardo Hamdan, a fourth-year business student and co-editor in chief of The Chapter, said he got the idea to form a magazine after seeing the results of a focus group that explored the impressions people have about the Greek community.

“People know the stereotypes, like “Animal House,” but they don’t know, for example, that Alpha Delta Pi does Running for Austin as their philanthropy,” Hamdan said.

The magazine will reflect the Greek life motto of “We work hard and we play hard,” said Jessica Stanley, a fourth-year advertising student and a co-editor in chief.

The magazine will be broken into sections such as philanthropy, community, events and intramurals, and will be mostly picture-based to allow students with busy schedules to scan it quickly.

“People have busy lives and pictures are more effective,” Stanley said. However, he said the content might become more article-based

GREEKS ● 2

Smoking rules not enforced

Brad Maxwell
THE DAILY GAMECOCK

After about two months into the semester, the new Tobacco Free USC policy shows hints of success.

The Daily Gamecock observed hot spots for both staff and student smoking outside Gambrell Hall and the business building.

“Many call it the ‘smoking capital’ of USC,” said Blake Funderburk, a fourth-year political science student, about Gambrell Hall.

Smoking is also popular on benches in the circle behind McKissick.

Although the new policy prohibits “the use of tobacco products within 25 feet of any building,” it is clear from the smoke-filled air and cigarette butts not even 10 feet from the door that the policy has been ignored by many.

“If they don’t want us

smoking within 25 feet of the building, why do they put the trashcans about 10 feet away?” Funderburk said.

Smoking in “outdoor seating areas” is also prohibited by the new policy.

John Alexander, a second-year international master business administration student, said he understands the university’s stance against cigarette litter on campus.

“I think the policy is good,” Alexander said. “I see people throw cigarette butts on the ground when there is a trash can right next to them ... it makes me angry.”

Alexander also said that students should not have to breathe secondhand smoke, but a completely smoke-free campus may be going too far.

SMOKING ● 2

BIBLE ‘MYTHS’ PROBED

The Rev. Jack Rogers discusses homosexuality references in scripture

Mai Nguyen
THE DAILY GAMECOCK

The Rev. Jack Rogers spoke in Gambrell Hall Monday night about homosexuality and the Bible.

Rogers wrote “Jesus the Bible and Homosexuality: Explode the Myths, Heal the Church,” a book in which he challenges many of the stereotypes against gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people.

“I came because one my best friends is gay and I wanted to see what [Rogers] had to say,” said Christina Stritzinger, a first-year business student.

Rogers said that he was a conservative Presbyterian until 1993.

It was not until a gay man was voted as deacon and requested that a task force be put together to research homosexuality that Rogers began to think about changing his position on homosexuality.

The task force was made up of 15 people who studied the Bible to understand what homosexuality was.

“At once I began to see that the conservative view was not right,” Rogers said.

While researching at Huntington Beach Library, Rogers saw a clear shift of the interpretation of the Bible.

The way to reinterpret the Bible is to read it through the lens of Jesus redeeming life and ministries, he said.

Rogers said the primary arguments opposing homosexuality are secondary to the overall meaning of the Bible.

“There are eight main texts used to argue against homosexuality and they have nothing to do with Jesus; the issue is with sex not with gender,” Rogers said.

He said one example is the Old Testament’s use of “abomination” when referring to both eating shellfish and a man lying with another man.

Rogers refuted the belief that homosexuality is a lifestyle choice.

“Many people also argue that homosexuality is an illness but it cannot be because it does not need a cure,” Rogers said. “We are first of all human beings and we don’t want to forget at the deepest level we are the same.”

The speech closed with a question and answer segment

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ON THE WEB



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SHADE ON THE 'SHOE



Meg Gaillard / THE DAILY GAMECOCK

Students relax and study on the Horseshoe near the Maxcy monument between classes.

State

Clemson program will aid transfer students

CLEMSON — More than 200 freshmen are studying at nearby Tri-County Technical College, hoping to gain admission to Clemson University next year through a new program.

The students must meet certain academic requirements while at Tri-County, including at least a 2.5 grade point average for the year, in the Bridge to Clemson University program. The program helps students gain admission to Clemson, one of the state's largest universities, where enrollment gets tougher as more students apply each year.

Clemson, the University of South Carolina and the College of Charleston all received a record number of freshman applications for this year.

More than 900 students who were not accepted to Clemson but came close were invited to enroll in the program. More than 600 of those invited were children of Clemson alumni like Jennifer Ginn, 18.

When Ginn got a letter from the university inviting her to enroll in the new program, there was no hesitation.

Her grandfather graduated from Clemson. Her sister is a senior there, and her family has season tickets for football games.

Nation

Dow approaches high, falls short at closing

NEW YORK — Stocks closed lower for the second straight session Monday after the Dow Jones industrial average flirted briefly early in the day with its all-time high close.

After also making an attempt to reach its record trading high of 11,750.28 set in January 2000, the Dow slipped 8.72, or 0.07 percent, to 11,670.35, according to preliminary figures. Broader indexes were also lower.

On Thursday, and again Monday, the Dow rose above its highest-ever closing level of 11,722.98 before retreating. But trading was volatile as some market players were out for the Yom Kippur holiday; traders said that may have weighed on stocks.

The markets mostly shrugged off the day's economic data. Stocks were helped, at least initially, by falling oil prices. A barrel of light crude settled at \$61.03, down \$1.88, on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Oil prices have fallen more than 20 percent since July, helping drive gains in stocks in the third quarter.

"There are a lot of crosscurrents between earnings, the overall condition of the economy and oil prices," Jim Herrick, head of equity trading at Robert W. Baird & Co., said of the market's pullback Monday.

World

Americans win Nobel Prize in medical field

NEW YORK — Two Americans won the Nobel Prize in medicine Monday for discovering a way to silence specific genes, a revolutionary finding that scientists are scrambling to harness for fighting illnesses as diverse as cancer, heart disease and AIDS.

Andrew Z. Fire, 47, of Stanford University, and Craig C. Mello, 45, of the University of Massachusetts Medical School in Worcester, will share the \$1.4 million prize.

They were honored remarkably swiftly for work they published together just eight years ago. It revealed a process called RNA interference, which occurs in plants, animals and humans. It's important for regulating gene activity and helping defend against viruses.

It is "a fundamental mechanism for controlling the flow of genetic information," said the Karolinska Institute in Stockholm, which awarded the prize.

Since the discovery, scientists have already made RNA interference a standard lab tool for studying what genes do. And they're working to use it to develop treatments against a long list of illnesses, including asthma, cystic fibrosis, diabetes, flu, Parkinson's and Huntington's diseases.

Weather Forecast

TODAY



High 85
Low 57

WED.



High 86
Low 60

THU.



High 89
Low 64

FRI.



High 77
Low 57

SAT.



High 77
Low 55

CRIME REPORT

TUESDAY, SEPT. 26
Larceny, 4 p.m.
Capstone Hall, 902 Barnwell St.

The victim, 19, said that someone cut the lock off and stole his bicycle.
Estimated value: \$400
Responding officer: J. Widdifield

SATURDAY, SEPT. 30
Malicious injury to real property, 1:01 p.m.
Chi Psi House, 508 Lincoln St.
Someone caused

permanent damage to the air-conditioning units on the North side of the house.

Estimated value: \$5000
Responding officer: D. Adams

Illegal use of telephone, 4:35 p.m.

The victim, 21, said someone she did not know called her several times. She did not feel threatened.
Responding officer: M.T. Winington

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"Some people don't want to walk through a puff of smoke either," he said. "I think completely tobacco free is a little extreme though."

The Tobacco Free USC policy was created solely for student health, said Michelle Burcin, director of Healthy Carolina.

"The original policy was ... for no other reason than to protect the non-smoker," she said. "The hope is that, although a long way off, we will one day be a completely tobacco-free campus."

Alexander said the policy lacks any teeth and he hasn't seen enforcement, but some students are complying by choice.

"I think a lot of people do it willingly," he said. "I've seen people back away from the doors."

There is no legal enforcement of USC's new policy. It is simply up to the "faculty, staff and students to take the lead on this initiative and have the courage to say something to those who aren't obeying the policy," Burcin said.

Burcin also said that each building has "liaisons" who are contacted in the event of a violation of this policy.

Currently, the only prompts of this policy are paper signs reminding students they are in a tobacco-free zone.

"Permanent signs hope to be up by the end of November," he said.

Last week the Student Senate passed a resolution that they hope will resolve the issue of enforcement.

"We want the University Housing Staff and USCPD to enforce the policy," said Danielle Vegas, a higher education and student affairs master's student and member of the Student Senate. "There was some controversy and confusion. The fact is, the policy is set. It makes sense that we should have enforcement."

Vegas said bags full of cigarette butts cleaned up during Clean Carolina prompted the resolution, which encourages the university to eliminate ashtrays outside of buildings, to place urns and permanent signs in designated smoking areas and to enforce the policy via the Office of Student Judicial Programs, the Division of Law Enforcement and Safety, USCPD and University Housing staff.

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once the magazine grows more established.

The first issue will be about 24 pages long, with advertising space taking up about 12 pages. The magazine is funded completely by advertising revenue.

"We get no school or Greek funding, but we're trying to get a place as a student organization eventually," Stanley said.

The Chapter will be a quarterly magazine, but there will only be two issues this year, because they are just getting started.

Copies will be delivered to all of the Greek organizations, with enough issues for every member. There will also be copies in the Russell House and other general student areas, as well as in the businesses that bought ads in the magazine.

Gaskins hopes that The Chapter will eventually have a place in Student Media, alongside The Daily Gamecock and Garnet & Black.

"We don't want to take Garnet & Black's place, but we'd like to get an office and be able to pay our ad sellers," Gaskins said.

The cover of the first issue will feature all of the people involved with creating the magazine, and will be shot by Allen Anderson, a photographer who takes pictures for many Greek events.

Students will take the majority of the pictures in the magazine.

Stanley hopes that the magazine will encourage students "on the fence" to join the Greek community.

"Something like this would encourage me to join," Stanley said. "It'll give people a glimpse into the Greek community."

Hamdan is optimistic that the magazine will bring together the factions of the community.

"We're kind of separate entities," he said. "We want to bring people together and let people know about what's going on in Greek life."

Hamdan also hopes that students will start recognizing people who are really involved with the Greek community and that they might eventually have a Web site where they can post the pictures that didn't make it into the magazine.

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THIS WEEK @ USC

TODAY

BOND Weekly Meeting:
6 p.m. RH 303
Fashion Board:
6 p.m. RH 304
RHA Senate Meeting:
7 p.m. RH Senate Chambers
GAMMA Weekly Meeting:
7 p.m. RH 315
Battle of the Bands:
8 p.m. RH Ballroom

WEDNESDAY

Last Lecture Series:
6 p.m. Harper College Gressette Room
Model United Nations meeting:
7 p.m. Gambrell 005

THURSDAY

Graduate School Fair:
9 a.m. RH Lobby
Depression Screening:
9:30 a.m. RH SEC Room

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Gunman kills 3, then self at 1-room Amish schoolhouse in Pennsylvania

Milk-truck driver storms classroom to seek revenge for a 20-year old grudge

Mark Scoloro
The Associated Press

NICKEL MINES, Pa. — A milk-truck driver carrying three guns and a childhood grudge stormed a one-room Amish schoolhouse Monday, sent the boys and adults outside, barricaded the doors with two-by-fours, and then opened fire on a dozen girls, killing three people before committing suicide.

At least seven other victims were critically wounded, authorities said.

It was the nation's third deadly school shooting in less than a week, and it sent shock waves through Lancaster County's bucolic Amish country, a picturesque landscape of horse-drawn buggies, green pastures and neat-as-a-pin farms, where violent crime is virtually nonexistent.

Most of the victims had been shot execution-style at point-blank range after being lined up along the chalkboard, their feet bound with wire and plastic ties, authorities said. Two young students were killed, along with a female teacher's aide who was slightly older than the students, state police Commissioner Jeffrey B. Miller said.

"This is a horrendous, horrific incident for the Amish community. They're solid citizens in the community. They're good people. They don't deserve ... no one deserves this," State Police Commissioner Jeffrey B. Miller said.

The gunman, Charles Carl Roberts IV, a 32-year-old truck driver from the nearby town of Bart, was bent on killing young girls as a way

of "acting out in revenge for something that happened 20 years ago" when he was a boy, Miller said.

Miller refused to say what that long-ago hurt was.

Roberts was not Amish and appeared to have nothing against the Amish community, Miller said. Instead, Miller said, he apparently picked the school because it was close by, there were girls there, and it had little or no security.

The attack bore similarities to a deadly school shooting last week in Bailey, Colo., and authorities there raised the possibility that the Pennsylvania attack was a copycat crime.

Miller said Roberts was apparently preparing for a long siege, arming himself with a 9mm semiautomatic pistol, a 12-gauge shotgun and a rifle, along with a bag of about 600 rounds of ammunition, two cans of smokeless powder, two knives and a stun gun on his belt. He also had rolls of tape, various tools and a change of clothes.

Roberts had left several rambling notes to his wife and three children that Miller said were "along the lines of suicide notes." The gunman also called his wife during the siege by cell phone to tell her he was getting even for some long-ago offense, according to Miller.

From the suicide notes and telephone calls, it was clear Roberts was "angry at life, he was angry at God," Miller said. And it was clear from interviews with his co-workers at the dairy that his mood had darkened in recent days and he had stopped chatting and joking around

with fellow employees and customers, the officer said.

Miller said that Roberts had been scheduled to take a random drug test on Monday. But the officer said it was not clear what role that may have played in the attack.

Miller said investigators were looking into the possibility the attack may have been related to the death of one of Roberts' own children. According to an obituary, Roberts and his wife, Marie, lost a daughter shortly after she was born in 1997.

As rescue workers and investigators tromped over the surrounding farmland, looking for evidence around this tiny village about 55 miles west of Philadelphia, dozens of people in traditional plain Amish clothing watched _ the men in light-colored shirts, dark pants and broad-brimmed straw farmer's hats, the women in bonnets and long dark dresses.

Reporters were kept away from the school after the shooting, and the Amish were reluctant to speak with the media, as is their custom.

The victims were members of the Old Order Amish. Lancaster County is home to some 20,000 Old Order Amish, who eschew automobiles, electricity, computers, fancy clothes and most other modern conveniences, live among their own people, and typically speak a German dialect known as Pennsylvania Dutch.

Killed were two students, and a female teacher's aide who was 15 or 16 years old, authorities said.

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where the Discrimination Amendment was a topic. The amendment states that only marriage between a man and a woman would be recognized by the state.

"In 1948, 40 of the 48 states banned interracial marriage and we changed our minds and views," Rogers said.

Many people from all over South Carolina came to hear Rogers speak.

Harold Prince, a 1939 USC graduate, said, "It was superb and he has done a beautiful, precise and scholarly research of the Bible."

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spread quickly.

Early detection and treatment of the disease is very important, the CDC said. There are three types of bacteria that cause the disease, which determines the correct antibiotic treatment.

If not treated early, the disease may result in permanent disabilities such as hearing loss, brain damage, seizures or even death.

DHEC officials said that students who have been immunized should still take treatment for the disease if they are "truly a close contact."

Meningitis is a relatively rare disease in the United States, according to the CDC, typically occurring only in isolated cases.

According to statistics provided by SHS, meningitis occurs between 100 to 125 times each year on college campuses. Around five to 15

students die as a result.

Those same statistics state that between 1,400 and 3,000 Americans are diagnosed each year, resulting in between 150 to 300 deaths.

Beck said USC sees a case generally once every few years. She said living in a collegiate environment, with close quarters makes the disease much easier to contract.

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IN OUR OPINION

‘Borat’ film pokes fun at ignorance, racism

Kazakhstan President Nursultan Nazarbayev visited the White House last week to talk to President Bush about the behavior of an awkward, racist, anti-Semitic Kazakh television reporter named Borat Sagdiyev who has caused quite a headache for the small, European country’s image.

And Borat, portrayed by Cambridge-educated British comedian Sacha Baron Cohen, showed up at the White House, too. He didn’t make it past the gate, but he did manage to tell the guard that he wanted to invite “Premier Bush” to a showing of his new film, “Borat: Cultural Learnings of America for Make Benefit Glorious Nation of Kazakhstan,” which is set to debut next month.

In Borat’s Kazakhstan, Jews are despised, homosexuals must wear blue hats, women are often locked in cages, incest is acceptable and “men with chocolate faces” are not welcome.

Nazarbayev is livid about the film, which he fears will give Americans the wrong idea about Kazakhstan. Now, they’re scrambling to counter the negative publicity by releasing TV ads that they hope will give a more positive view of their country.

But what Nazarbayev doesn’t realize is that Cohen’s joke isn’t on Kazakhstan — it’s on all of us. Borat is a vehicle to expose ignorance, be it ignorance of a certain European country or outright racism in general. Cohen does a brilliant job using silly humor to shed light on the darker side of society.

It’s scary how Cohen, who is Jewish, managed to get an entire bar full of people in Arizona to sing along to a song called “Throw the Jew Down the Well.”

And not everyone in Kazakhstan is upset over Borat’s unflattering portrayal of the country. Even President Nazarbayev’s daughter has said everyone should laugh at the joke and not take everything so seriously.

Maybe it’s unfortunate for Kazakhstan that Cohen picked them as his vehicle, but his audience isn’t stupid. We understand that it’s a joke. Why can’t you?

CORRECTIONS

In Monday’s News, the Thomas Cooper Library should have been identified as being open 24 hours a day, five days a week, from Sunday to Thursday. The Daily Gamecock regrets the error.

If you see an error in today’s paper, we want to know about it. E-mail us at gamecockopinions@gwm.sc.edu

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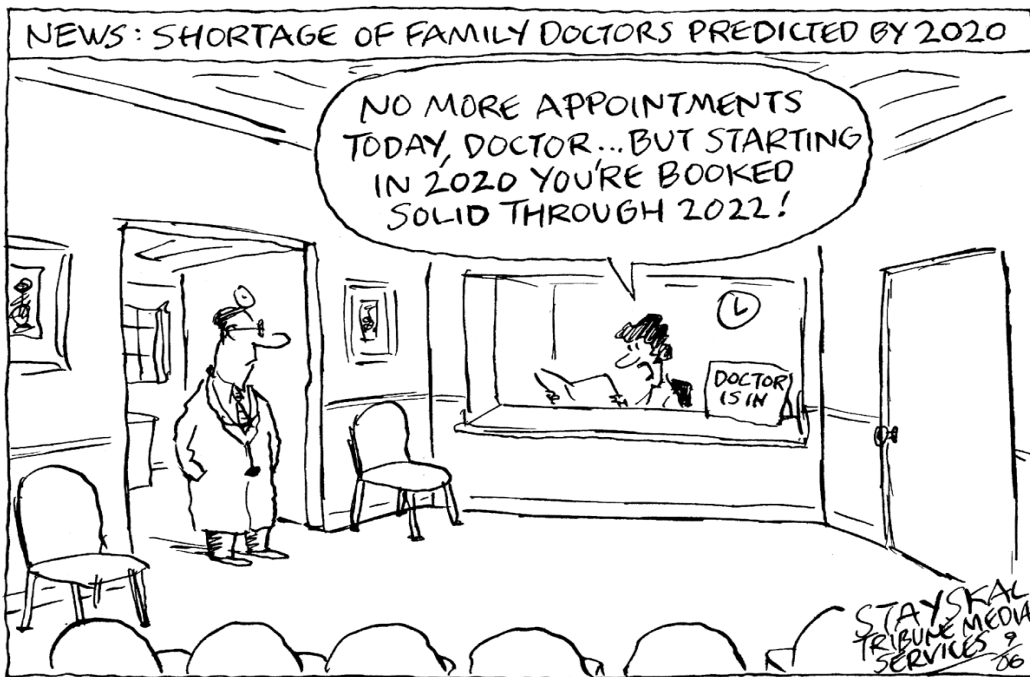
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A WORD TO THE WISE

Time always well spent in new classes

Enriching education calls for variety of subjects beyond requirements



AARON BRAZIER
Fourth-year philosophy student

Quite often we students ask, “What the hell are we learning this for?” It is a common complaint, frequently because 90 percent of what we learn will probably not be useful for us outside of college.

But that’s the greatest mistake that people funding universities, students and the general public make when it comes to ‘edumacashion.’

Our money goes into getting something that the majority doesn’t get — not just classes, but the ability to take an extra step into becoming responsible adults able to understand the basics across many fields that constitute life.

But studying history can give you multiple skills, from appreciating a different society to grasping where we as people come from.

I could easily do this unto infinity. Listing all the classical subjects would still leave more modern

subjects like Public Health which are also just as important when it comes to a broad sense of knowledge. And it would also get Dr. Sorensen on my bad side, and I’ve heard he gets major crunk on the weekends.

A university’s role shouldn’t be to produce useful little workers for a large workforce; it should have a commitment to making well-rounded adults. In the USA a university is expected to make a decent profit, but that’s ridiculous. Art historians will never produce multi-millionaires like the business school, but that doesn’t make art history a less important subject by any stretch of the imagination.

There aren’t many museums devoted to business, after all.

Even my subject of choice, the ever-hallowed philosophy degree that has the direct practical

application of a walnut, has given me more in terms of living than anything else I have studied.

There’s no shame in discussions about art, philosophy, politics or business. There’s no shame in being from one college and having a passion for other fields. Some of the most interesting people the world has ever produced have been polymaths.

Yet the stereotype remains that art students are slacker layabouts, business students are as cultured as a doughnut, science students have the sexual magnetism of a dead rodent and public health students are really, really cool because Dr. Sorensen was one and he’s probably watching me right now.

Don’t leave college without enriching yourself as much as you can. Take advantage of the hundreds of experts and thousands of fellow students who are seeking knowledge. Take a class you know nothing about in a field you’ve never thought of. Just don’t waste your time and money not getting a proper education.

New word defines vague relationships

“Whathaveyou” groups crowd not quite ready to take the next step

“So...what are y’all?” The dreaded question every girl hates to hear when they are in relationship limbo. You don’t know what you are. You are NOT together, but you’re not exactly single either.

You’re not just talking or flirting, but you have the freedom to see other people. So many relationships fall into this quasi-committed state. I am here to introduce you to the most ingenious phrase since “sketchy.” “Whathaveyou.” Coined by a good friend of mine to explain her continually confusing semi-single, semi-committed relationships, it is perhaps the perfect way to describe many college relationships.

It can be used in numerous ways. “We’re whathaveyou’s.” “He’s my whathaveyou.” “We’re whathaveyou-ing.” It gives you an easy way to describe the relationship without having to go into a 10-minute-long conversation.

In case you don’t

quite understand what relationship is classified as a “what-haveyou” relation-



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ship, I will explain. You and the what-have-you hang out regularly, meet up most nights, you go out but don’t necessarily go home together. There are no anniversaries or “DTR” (define the relationship) talks. You are still free to hook up and go to functions with other people, but more often than not, you choose to hook up with the whathaveyou and take that person to a function. You’re not friends with benefits because you are genuinely interested in dating the person, but one or both of you may be commitment-phobes. Or maybe you’re just picky and don’t jump into relationships easily. What matters is that there’s a mutual respect and understanding between the two of you that you won’t define the relationship and if you want to change the state

you are in, you go about it politely.

I can’t explain how many relationships my friends or I have had that are perfectly described by this new word. It can get really frustrating. You can wear yourself out trying to figure out if y’all are together or not. This isn’t middle school anymore: “will you be my girlfriend, check yes or no.” Instead of worrying about it, instead of trying to force them into a relationship, just relax and call them your “whathaveyou.” It takes the pressure off both of you so you can just enjoy your time together and let things fall where they may.

If you decide you don’t want to see them anymore, there’s no messy breakup. You just start declining invitations to hang out. If you want to move forward into a committed relationship, it will come naturally and both of you will stop hanging out or hooking up with members of the opposite sex.

So the next time someone asks, “what are y’all,” just call the person with you your whathaveyou and smile at the cutie across the room.

MySpace among sites attracting young voters

Student suffrage an issue worth raising without uninformed participation

Now you can add one more personal fact to your MySpace profile: registered voter. MySpace is joining the reckless movement to

advocate the involvement of young people in the voting process.

I don’t know what MySpace’s agenda is in this move, but I think the whole thing is a bunch of crap.

Don’t get me wrong, I am glad younger people are paying more attention to what is going on around us, but I think it is completely irresponsible for anyone to go out and vote just because they can.

Isn’t it funny that the people who really want to “make a difference” don’t really care enough to go register to vote if it’s not particularly convenient? If MySpace does all the work for them and gives them the opportunity to join the elite “I Registered to Vote on MySpace” group, then they’ll sign up.

As we are approaching another election year, I am already reading about efforts nationwide to get young people engaged in the voting process. This, of course, means celebrities will go on MTV and talk about how cool it is to vote.

One of the problems with these charming little campaigns is that they are insultingly devoid of any useful information. Politicians, celebrities and MySpace are encouraging 18-to-24-year-olds to vote without arming them with any facts about the candidates.

Part of the logic behind all of this is that we live in a democracy and we should be grateful for our right to vote. Okay, point taken, but when we are down to two candidates who both suck, I’ll take option three and exercise my right not to vote at all.

I would hate to imply that there is a political agenda here, because we all know that would never be the case. However, it is hard to ignore the fact that so many celebrities that come out to encourage voting are also supporting a Democratic candidate. It is also hard to ignore the fact that young people have continuously voted for Democrats in larger numbers (even if they are just slightly larger). The Generation “Y” that is voting today is liberal and largely focused on social issues.

It is disappointing to me that people, voters and political advocates alike want quantity from fellow voters, not quality.

Young voters are intelligent, capable adults. They deserve to be armed with useful information, and they’ll pay attention to it. But leave the voter registration to them.



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FALL OUT 2006
interview series two of five

Stretch Arm Strong reaches new lengths

Band originated in Columbia feels it is icing on cake to come back and play at Fall Out



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Stretch Arm Strong is excited to perform, relax, and hang out with family at Fall Out, after traveling all over the country during the Vans Warp Tour.

1. What's it like being invited to play a hometown festival like Fall Out?

It's real cool for us. We got a chance to play on St. Patty's day last March. The year before that we got asked to do the Three Rivers Festival, but to play Fall Out with some other rock bands, I guess heavier, aggressive bands, it's nice to be recognized as a national touring band who lives in Columbia, and who gets asked to play at a festival. It's an honor.

2. You guys have been out touring with the Vans Warped Tour this summer. What's it like to go from a tour that goes all over the country to coming home

and playing?

One of the big changes is not traveling. With Warped Tour we were all over the country, and with a show like this you have the convince of playing in your hometown, a stones throw away from where you live. You get to play for your family, who can't go with us on the road. So, to play a show in town with our family and friends here, that's another cool thing about a festival like this.

3. Is it a big thing to be playing Fall Out with three bands that are actually from Columbia?

Obviously, we would never play with those bands outside of a festival like this because of the different music styles. Crossfade's a straight up rock band. The Movement has kind of got the Sublime, reggae, and hip-hop thing going.

4. Is this a good wind-down after a national tour like Vans Warped, to get to come home and play with the kids, see everyone, etc?

My wife and I had a baby on August 21, just a couple of weeks after we got home from Warped Tour. We were in Europe two times last year; we did several U.S. tours, went to Puerto Rico, and just stayed

busy. So to come home, get some time off, and then cap it off with Fall Out in Columbia, is a nice little icing on the cake.

5. Nice just to take some time off and be home for a little while?

It's always nice coming home. Touring, playing, and being in another country is always real rewarding. But it's nothing like coming home, wearing clean clothes, being with the ones you love, seeing people you haven't seen in a while, and sleeping in your own bed. All those things you take for granted when you're on the road.

- Alex Riley

Zorba's has great Greek eats

Mediterranean menu offers food to please everybody's taste buds

Everyone's been in this situation, you are with a group of friends ready to eat out and everyone wants something different.

Take a trip to Zorba's when this mood hits your friends, and you will be able to take care of everyone.

Inside a plain shopping center, right of St. Andrews road, Zorba's is hard to see if one is not looking. Entering in the front door there were advertisements for dancing and live music on Thursday night. Disappointed the event passed, we soldiered on to be immediately seated.

The interior was decorated with statues all around and murals gracing the wall. An interesting aspect of the dining area is the three dimensional "clouds" around the upper edge of the room. To keeping a theme of being treated like gods, the clouds are to give a patron the sense of being on Mount Olympus.

The waitress was there right away to take our drink orders and returned with them promptly. She checked on us periodically as we tried to decide what we wanted. Zorba's menu is large giving plenty to choose from. Great if you like variety, terrible if a member of your party has a hard time making up their mind.

Prices on the menu run the gamut from \$5.50 for a lamb gyro to \$16.95 for a filet minion shish kebab. The Greek menu covers all the basics, plus some more such as moussaka for and chicken souvlaki.

After ordering, we were brought our Greek salad and bread that comes with most dishes. The salad was large with not too much dressing. A short time passed and our food was brought out piping hot. The baked ziti smelled great and tasted even better. It was covered with cheese and the tomato did not overwhelm the dish. The calamari was very tasty, not too rubbery, but was a bit on the salty side.

The half-chicken dish is guaranteed to fill the hardest of appetites. Between the salad, bread, a large half-chicken, and a potato dish of your choice, you are not going to leave hungry. The chicken is moist and pleasingly spiced, avoiding the dried out and plain poultry many places serve.

For all budgets and all tastes, Zorba's will help you break the stalemate when choosing a restaurant. Fans of all the styles of food should not be disappointed in the taste and the quantity.

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DJ Shadow makes comeback

Release of new CD compiles all of his styles, collaborators into one cornucopian effort

Patrick Masterson
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"The Outsider"
DJ Shadow
★★★ out of ☆☆☆☆☆

Josh Davis is a sound chemist of the highest degree. The man likes sounds, and he likes producing sounds. Thanks to him, we have a Guinness world record for sampling: 1996's "...Endtroducing" was the first album composed entirely of samples. His influence grows with every passing day. DJs worship him. Indie kids talk him up. Hip-hoppers use him for cred. Now the jig is up: DJ Shadow's making his comeback for his third full-length, "The Outsider."

Shadow readily acknowledged that for his first album in four years he wanted to try everything. He wanted to go all over the map. From Bay-area hyphy to Britrock and hip-hop to indie-pop, "The Outsider" was always destined to be the aural equivalent of schizophrenia. Nevertheless, fans were eager to see him carry on the legacy of "...Endtroducing" and "The

Private Press."

The hype's been mounted and now, after an early leak to San Francisco radio, "The Outsider" has been presented in full at long last. And maybe you've read about how much of a "disappointment" it is as a whole, but boy, "are those tracks hot as singles!"

That's partly true. There's a lack of overall cohesion, but the first half of the album is devoted almost exclusively to hip-hop. If Shadow wanted to, he could probably break the mainstream single-handedly: His production is phenomenal on tracks like "Turf Dancing." He taps E-40, David Banner and Keak Da Sneak over the course of the album.

But something happens after Banner's appearance on "Seein Thangs." "Broken Levee Blues" is an instrumental guitar track that leads into a frantic rock instrumental, "Artifact." And then it's back to hip-hop for Phonte Coleman's "Backstage Girl." Kasabian's Sergio Pizzorno and Christopher Karloff phone in their appearance for "The Tiger."

In short, Shadow totally loses it. Any semblance of expectations



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John Davis earned a Guinness World Record for his sampling in 1996.

formed in the opening few tracks is completely decimated as hip-hop mixes with instrumental rock mixes with electronics. The idea is that you get to see all the facets of DJ Shadow's influences and interests. The execution is the problem: because it's scattershot, listeners may be disinclined to keep up. Or they can just download their favorite tracks from the album and make their own mini-album. Whatever works.

It's a melting pot. It's an

inconsistent masterpiece. It's not the sequel to "...Endtroducing" or "The Private Press." This is just who DJ Shadow is now. How fast one accepts that is how fast one grows to love this album. Even if you never do, at least you'll always be able to talk about "how great the singles were." And somewhere, Josh Davis will cry a little every time you say that.

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52 Demolish
53 Illinois senator
54 Grace closing
55 At rest
56 Softly, in music
57 Twisted
58 Horse turns to the right
59 Spiral pin

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HOROSCOPES

ARIES You've done the preparation, now proceed with your plans. Intend to go farther than you think you can, and you might surprise yourself.
TAURUS You're a good worker, but there's no point in finishing meaningless tasks. Cross the unimportant stuff off your list without the slightest guilt.
GEMINI Stop arguing, even with yourself. Choose, so you can get going. If something changes as you go along, you can make the correction.
CANCER You're able to buy yourself special things occasionally, because you pinch your pennies habitually.
LEO Extensive discussions are required to discover all the secrets. Make sure you know what you're signing.
VIRGO Continue to be cautious with your money, even if you're feeling flush. Later, when you have a lot more, this won't seem like very much.
LIBRA You're especially cute, decisive and persuasive now. Figure out whom and what you want, and get him/her it.
SCORPIO The others just want the job done, they don't care about costs. This is why they need you, and why you make the big bucks.
SAGITTARIUS You're hot on the trail of a new theory that will explain everything. Ask somebody who owes you a favor to help out with the chores.
CAPRICORN The top of the mountain appears to be almost within your reach. Pay closer attention now, so you don't fall off.
AQUARIUS You provide the data, and your friends will come up with the plan. This is a joint effort, and the odds are in your favor.
PISCES Start by paying back a debt. That takes a load off your mind and allows the creativity in there to expand. You're entering a new phase.

A word for the wise

Rumpus room (n.)- a room usually in the basement of a home that is used for games, parties, and recreation.
Ex: "When Abby came home for fall break, her friends held a surprise party in the rumpus room to welcome her back."

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Black mark on hit king's record leaves fans skeptical

Rose's mistake to bet on game leaves questionable message for baseball fans

Professional baseball has a breathing problem. It seems that every time a player draws a breath, it's to say something negative about a former team or teammate. Pete Rose is different though.

Rose is out to prove it during a lecture tour that includes a stop at the University of South Carolina.

These days, it's become difficult to imagine a player performing with the passion that Rose had during his time in the Major Leagues.

A career of running out every pop-up, groundball, line drive and base on balls earned Rose the nickname "Charlie Hustle."

By the end of his playing career, Rose had amassed a .303 average, which included 2,165 runs, 1,314 RBIs and a record 4,256 hits.

By the end of a seven-year managerial career, however, he was locked out of baseball; banished for betting on the game. He was denied his right to the halls of Cooperstown.

Is it any wonder that now, in the midst of the steroid era, Rose has become more outspoken than ever in his quest to be reinstated into professional baseball?

Many baseball fans are purists, which keeps a barring cynicism around thoughts of Pete Rose's expressions of regret. He has been working to show penitence in recent years, but his problem is in his presentation.

In 2004, Rose published an autobiography, "My Prison Without Bars," which finally admitted baseball wagers. He seemed to expect it to clear his name and give him the pass he's been seeking since 1997. Instead, he turned his profit, and MLB commissioner Bud Selig turned his cheek.

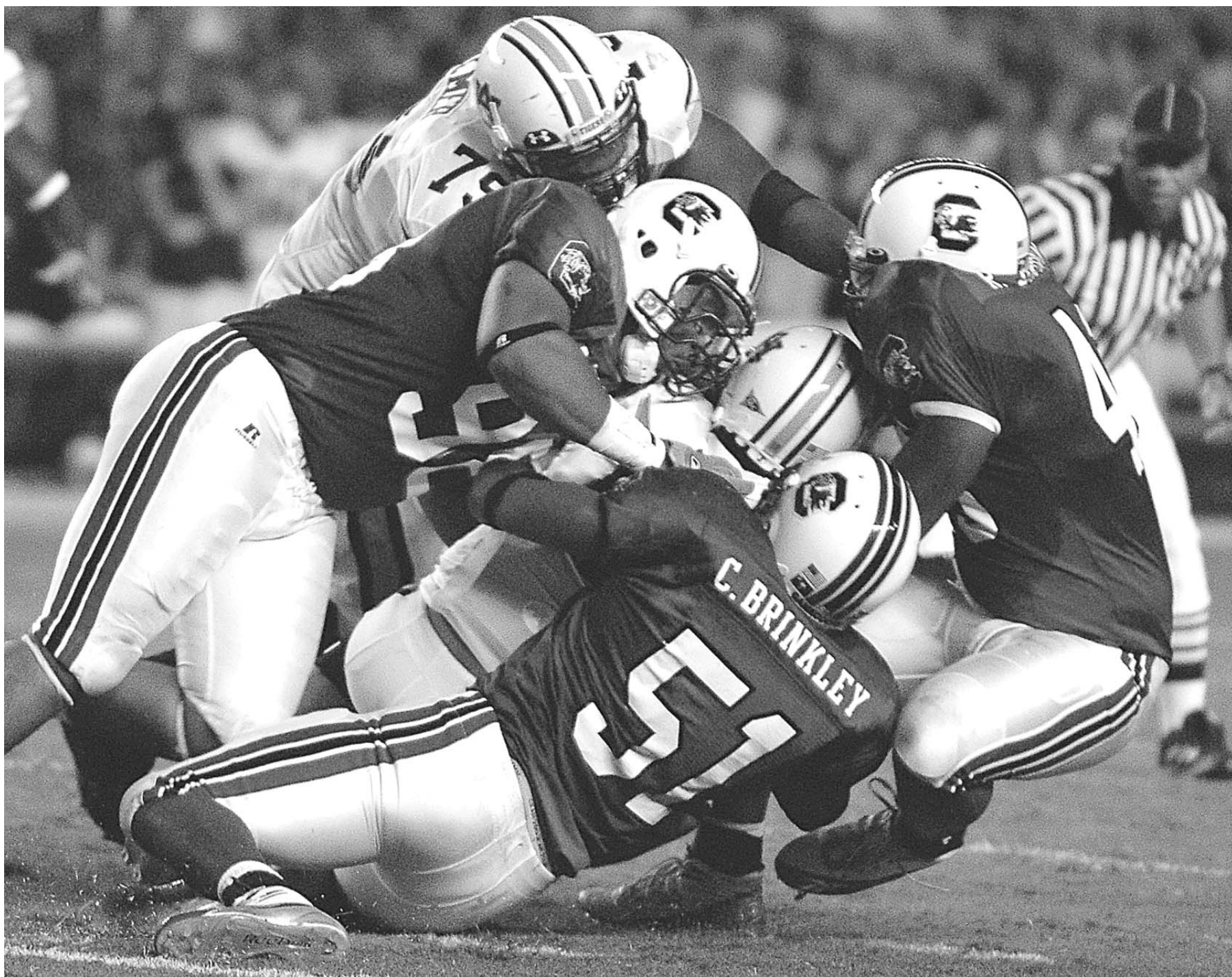
Last month, Rose signed a collection of baseballs for auction. The balls each read, "I'm sorry I bet on baseball" above his usual signature. The idea has been spun to his official website, where fans can purchase balls personally signed to them.

Where does all of this leave the baseball purists? It's something that sports fans at USC have to consider. On one hand, there is a chance to meet, greet and question one of the top names in baseball history. On the other, this is a man who will, no doubt, be speaking with a motive.

Pete Rose's motive is to sway fans of the game. He speaks to get baseball fans behind his records on the field, rather than off.

Rose comes to town on Nov. 8. The tickets are available free to students and come with a guarantee that Rose will have plenty to say during his time in the Palmetto State.

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The USC defense gang tackles an Auburn player in last week's game in Columbia. The Gamecocks will face Kentucky in Lexington this Saturday.

Carolina preps for Kentucky

Football team looking to move on after nail-biting loss to No. 2 Auburn last Thursday night

Tom Benning
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Four days after barely losing to Auburn before a national audience, the USC football team returned to the practice field yesterday

and shifted their focus to Saturday's game against Kentucky.

"We're talking about Kentucky now, we ain't talking about that last one," USC head coach Steve Spurrier said. "We're talking about Kentucky. They're

a team that's got the same record we have. They've beaten teams almost similar to what we've beaten."

Last year, Carolina faced a similar situation when they faced the Wildcats, as both teams had the same overall and SEC record. However, the Gamecocks blew out Kentucky 44-16 in Columbia. The victory began a string of six straight SEC victories.

If USC hopes to have similar success this time around, they will have to look no further than the offensive line. After receiving considerable criticism for most of the season, the line produced its best effort against Auburn, and Spurrier took notice.

"They played a little bit better," Spurrier said. "But (Syvelle Newton) dodged and darted a bunch of them and they only rushed three most of the night. But they did a lot better, yeah. Run blocking was very good."

Any concerns of the team being emotionally drained

by the Auburn game were quickly dispelled by Spurrier. He said the team was fresh and healthy in practice, and he said the result of last week's game was no longer on the team's mind.

"Oh yeah, we're over it," he said. "We weren't good enough to beat Auburn. It's just the way it worked out. Last play of the game we had five freshmen on the field—two offensive lineman and three receivers. It was sort of interesting."

Spurrier's evaluation of the Auburn contest was a bit more vague than last Friday, when he specifically voiced his displeasure with the Gamecock Nation for cheering as Carolina left the field after the game. While he was clear that he did not want the fans to boo, he said that a loss should be treated as a loss.

"Please don't clap when we come close," Spurrier told The State newspaper. "I think it sends the wrong message. Our guys thought

we'd done something pretty good, when in essence we didn't do anything but let a game get away that we were in a position to win."

Practice Notes:

- Rover Emmanuel Cook should return to lineup Saturday after missing time due to a knee injury. However, lineman Web Brown is still out with a knee injury. Also, tight end Andy Boyd's bad luck with injuries continued, as the redshirt senior is expected to miss three weeks with a shoulder injury.

- Wide receiver Kenny McKinley sat out practice with a sore shoulder, however Spurrier expressed optimism about him suiting up for Kentucky. "I'm hoping he'll be ready Saturday, I hope he will," Spurrier said. "He's all jammed up ... landed on his shoulder. They X-rayed it. They say he's OK, just a bruise."

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USC quarterback Syvelle Newton makes a cut last week.

Women's tennis ready for '06

Players ready to open season in California for national tournament battle with America's best talent

Michael Aguilar
STAFF WRITER

Carolina's women's tennis team came into this season with high expectations. The team looked strong enough to make a lot of noise on the national scene.

That noise could come specifically out of this coming weekend. USC travels to Pacific Palisades, Calif. for the Riviera/ITA Women's All-American Championships. Many of the best collegiate tennis

players will be competing there. The Gamecocks are sending two players to compete in the doubles section of the tournament, sophomores Gira Schofield and Natasa Vuckovic.

Schofield represented the Gamecocks in the singles NCAA tournament last year, and she looks to continue that success over the course of the rest of the season. She comes into this season ranked nationally at No. 39; however, she did not perform up to expectations

in the Furman Fall Classic last weekend, going 1-2 for the tournament.

Vuckovic came into this season ranked No. 93 in the nation. She also struggled in the Furman Fall Classic, and was 1-2 in the Flight Two group.

This weekend presents a test for the two as a team. Together Schofield and Vuckovic are nationally ranked No. 37. The ranking proved to be well deserved as the two advanced to the doubles final in last

weekend's tournament.

In a tournament with the caliber of the one they will be competing in this coming weekend, Schofield and Vuckovic will need to step their game up. They start out against a Southern Calif. doubles pair that comes from the No. 3 nationally ranked team.

The field doesn't get any easier as the weekend will progress for the Gamecocks. Among the rest of the field are Stanford, UCLA, Florida, BYU, Duke, Wake

Forest and Washington; the ITA ranks these teams in the top 25 nationally.

There are more teams close to the top 25 competing and looking to make a break into the national rankings.

The two seemed dominant at Furman last weekend and will most likely carry the dominance out West for a strong performance under the national spotlight.

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